## House Resolution No. 3270

Whereas, it is with saddened hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse daily endeavors in order to commemorate the death of Independence native and longtime resident, Henry K. Inouye, Jr., on Sunday, May 23, 2004, at the age of seventy-five; and

Whereas, after graduation from William Chrisman High School in 1946, Henry Inouye immediately enlisted in the United States Navy and subsequently married his beloved Helen Amundson in 1949; and

Whereas, for many years Henry Inouye lived in Hawaii where he owned and managed an advertising and public relations agency in Honolulu as well as three early childhood centers; and

Whereas, Henry Inouye returned to Missouri in 1980 where he was universally praised for successfully combining a career in art with religious studies; and

Whereas, Henry Inouye studied at Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa, earned a Bachelor's degree in art history and fine arts from the University of Hawaii, majored in fine art at the Kansas City Art Institute and commercial art at the Art Center in Los Angeles, completed a Master's degree in religion from Claremont School of Theology in California, and pursued postgraduate studies at Park College; and

Whereas, a published author, Henry Inouye was deeply involved in investigating and visually illustrating Mormon church history, served as an Elder of the Community of Christ Cornerstone congregation, and helped to revitalize Kansas City neighborhoods through his duties and responsibilities as President of the Santa Fe Trail Neighborhood Community Development Corporation; and

**Whereas**, the late Henry Inouye is survived by his loving wife, Helen Inouye; three daughters, Patti Franks, Cindy Mendelsohn, and Lori Shern; fifteen grandchildren; a sister, Nadine Harbottle; and a brother, Donald Inouye:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Henry Inouye and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to his family members, friends, colleagues, and neighbors who now miss his considerable light and warmth in their daily lives; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Henry Inouye, Jr., of Independence, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative Paul LeVota
District No. 52

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of

Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3270, adopted June 1, 2004.